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	Crop Condition				
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	-Percent-				
Alfalfa	0	2	23	59	16
Cotton	0	6	34	46	14
Range and Pasture	14	44	30	10	2

	Crop Progress			
	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Avg
	-Percent-			
Cotton – Squaring	80	72	97	93
Setting Bolls	47	23	47	52
Durum Wheat – Harvested	98	91	98	97
Barley – Harvested	100	97	92	96

Field Crops

For the week ending July 10, harvest has been completed on virtually all of the durum wheat and barley acreage. Squaring has occurred on 80 percent of the cotton acreage while bolls have set on 47 percent of the acreage. Cotton condition remains mostly fair to good. Alfalfa harvest was active on over three quarters of the State's acreage. Range and pasture conditions remain mostly poor to good.

Vegetables, Fruit and Other Specialty Crops

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped carrots, cantaloupes, honeydews, seeded and seedless watermelons, and other specialty melons. Western Arizona shipped cantaloupes, green onions, honeydews, seeded watermelons, and seedless watermelons.

Weather Summary

Temperatures for the State were mostly above normal for the week ending July 9. Temperatures ranged from 2 degrees below normal at Flagstaff to 4 degrees above normal at Douglas, Tucson, and Willcox. The highest temperature of the week was 114 degrees at Casa Grande while the lowest reading was Flagstaff at 38 degrees. Precipitation was reported at 3 of the 17 reporting stations. Douglas received the lowest amount of precipitation at 0.02 inches and Safford received the highest amount of precipitation at 0.24 inches. All reporting stations except Tucson are above normal precipitation for this time of year.

Range and Pasture Conditions

During June, Arizona's rangeland and pasture conditions were deteriorating with the lack of precipitation. Conditions were poor to good, depending on location and elevation. Arizona livestock were in mostly fair to good condition. Soil moisture was mostly short and stock water supplies were short to adequate. Insect damage was mostly light to moderate.

Northern grazing conditions were mostly good. Pasture conditions were fair to good at high elevations. Mid elevation and lower elevation conditions were mostly good. Livestock were in mostly fair to good condition. Stock water and soil moisture were short to adequate. Insect damage was moderate.

Central pasture conditions were poor to fair. Grazing conditions at high and low elevations were poor to fair. Mid elevation conditions were fair to good. Livestock were in fair condition. Stock water supplies were short to adequate, but soil moisture was short. Insect damage was moderate.

Southern pastures were in fair to good condition. Pasture conditions were mostly fair to good at low elevations. Higher elevation pasture conditions were good. Mid elevation conditions ranged from poor to good. Livestock were in fair condition. Stock water was mostly short to adequate. Soil moisture supplies were short. Insect damage was light.

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Temperatures and Precipitation Data
July 3 - July 9, 2005

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	75	3	99	55	0.00	6.57	3.90
Casa Grande	90	2	114	67	0.00	5.11	3.25
Coolidge	90	1	113	68	0.00	5.43	3.85
Douglas	80	4	105	61	0.02	5.14	3.63
Flagstaff	65	-2	85	38	0.00	15.91	10.33
Gila Bend	93	0	113	72	0.00	3.09	2.72
Grand Canyon	66	1	91	39	0.00	11.72	7.74
Kingman	82	0	100	61	0.00	7.77	4.76
Parker	93	-1	111	73	0.00	4.22	2.59
Payson	75	-1	95	52	0.00	14.77	9.92
Phoenix	94	2	112	79	0.00	5.30	3.37
Prescott Airport	73	1	92	56	0.00	10.26	5.51
Safford Ag Center	83	1	106	59	0.24	4.64	3.22
Tucson	87	4	110	70	0.00	3.64	3.88
Willcox	79	4	107	61	0.05	4.96	4.24
Winslow	77	1	100	53	0.00	4.27	2.79
Yuma	93	1	110	73	0.00	2.80	1.10

1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

2/ Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.

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